IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE: Samson Resources Corporation,

et al.

Debtors.

LLOYD NESS and MARY NESS,

Appellants,

v. : C. A. No. 16-1156-RGA

Bankruptcy Case No. 15-11934 (CSS)

SAMSON RESOURCES CORPORATION, : BAP No. 16-100

Appellee.

RECOMMENDATION

At Wilmington this 24th day of January, 2017.

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 2(a) of the Procedures to Govern Mediation of Appeals from the United States Bankruptcy Court for this District dated September 11, 2012, a teleconference were held on January 23, 2017 for an initial review and discussion with appellant and counsel for appellee to determine the appropriateness of mediation in this matter;

WHEREAS, as a result of the above screening process, mediation at this stage would not be a productive exercise, a worthwhile use of judicial resources nor warrant the expense of the process.

THEREFORE, IT IS RECOMMENDED that, pursuant to paragraph 2(a) Procedures to Govern Mediation of Appeals from the United States Bankruptcy Court for this District and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), this matter be withdrawn from the mandatory referral for mediation and proceed through the appellate process of this Court.

The parties were advised of their right to file objections to this Recommendation

pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B), FED. R. CIV. P. 72(a) and D. DEL. LR 72.1. It does not

appear that any objections will be filed. If any objections are filed, they shall be done within

five (5) days of this Recommendation and are limited to two (2) pages. The objections

may be done in letter format and captioned and docketed as "Objections to the

Recommendation dated [date]." Any response shall be due within five (5) days of the

objections and are limited to two (2) pages. The response may be in letter format and

captioned and docketed as "Response to the Objections to the Recommendation dated

[date].

The parties further request a conference with the Court to discuss the issues that

will be addressed on appeal prior to the entry of any briefing Order.

Local counsel are obligated to inform out-of-state counsel of this Order.

/s/ Mary Pat Thynge

Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Mary Pat Thynge

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